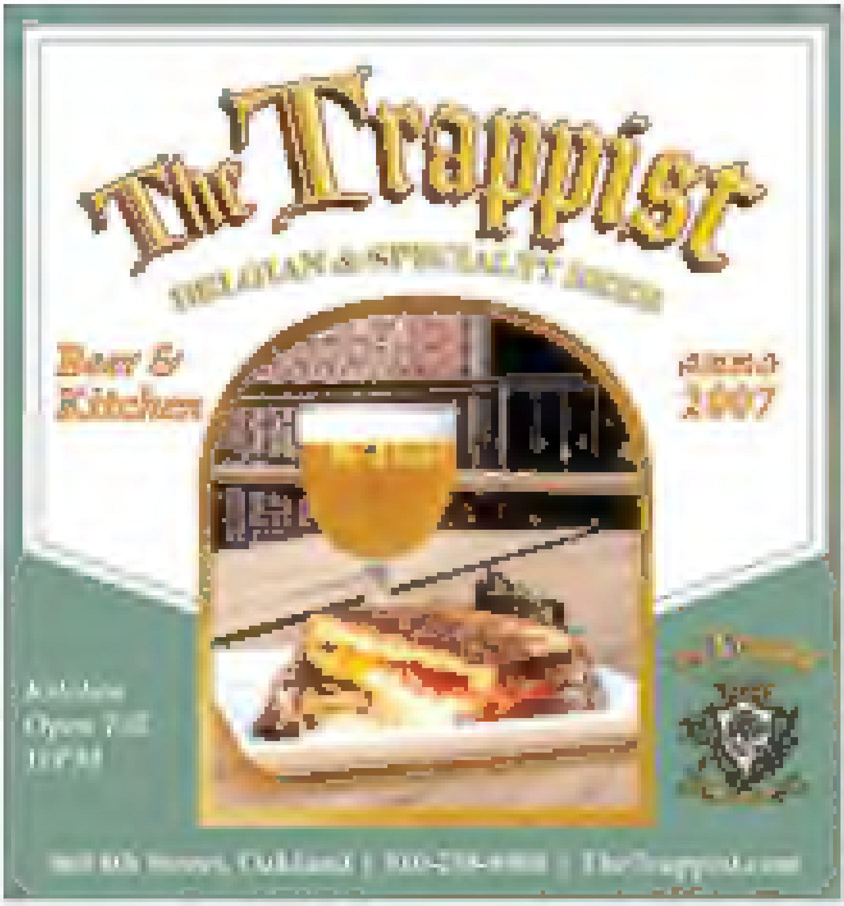
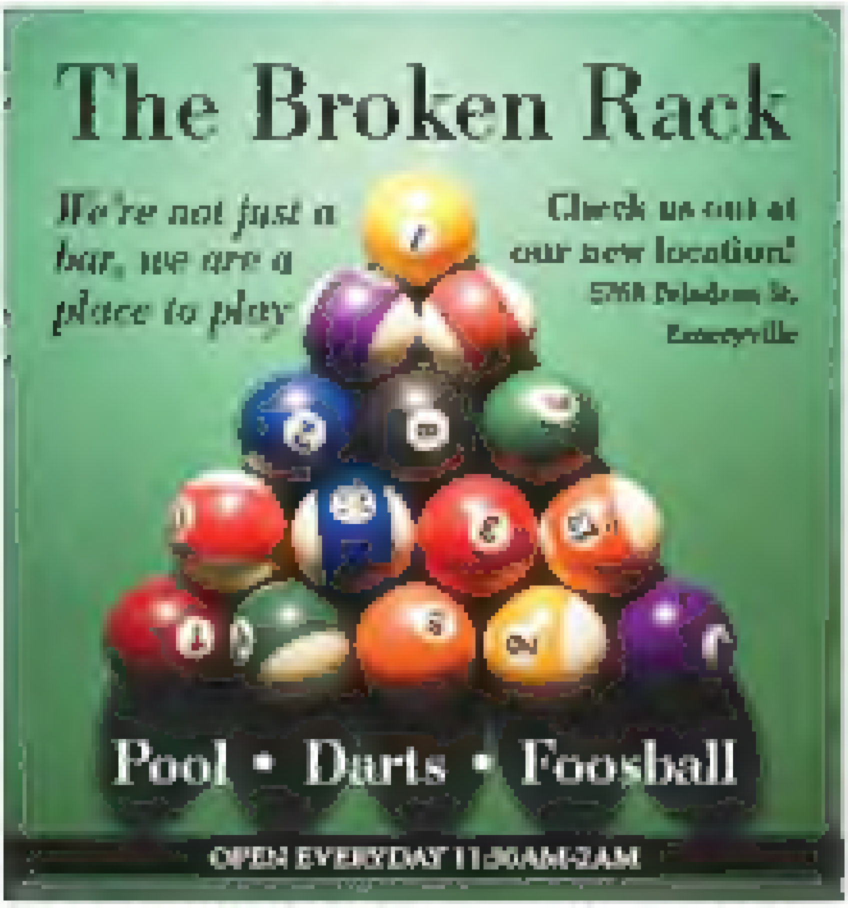
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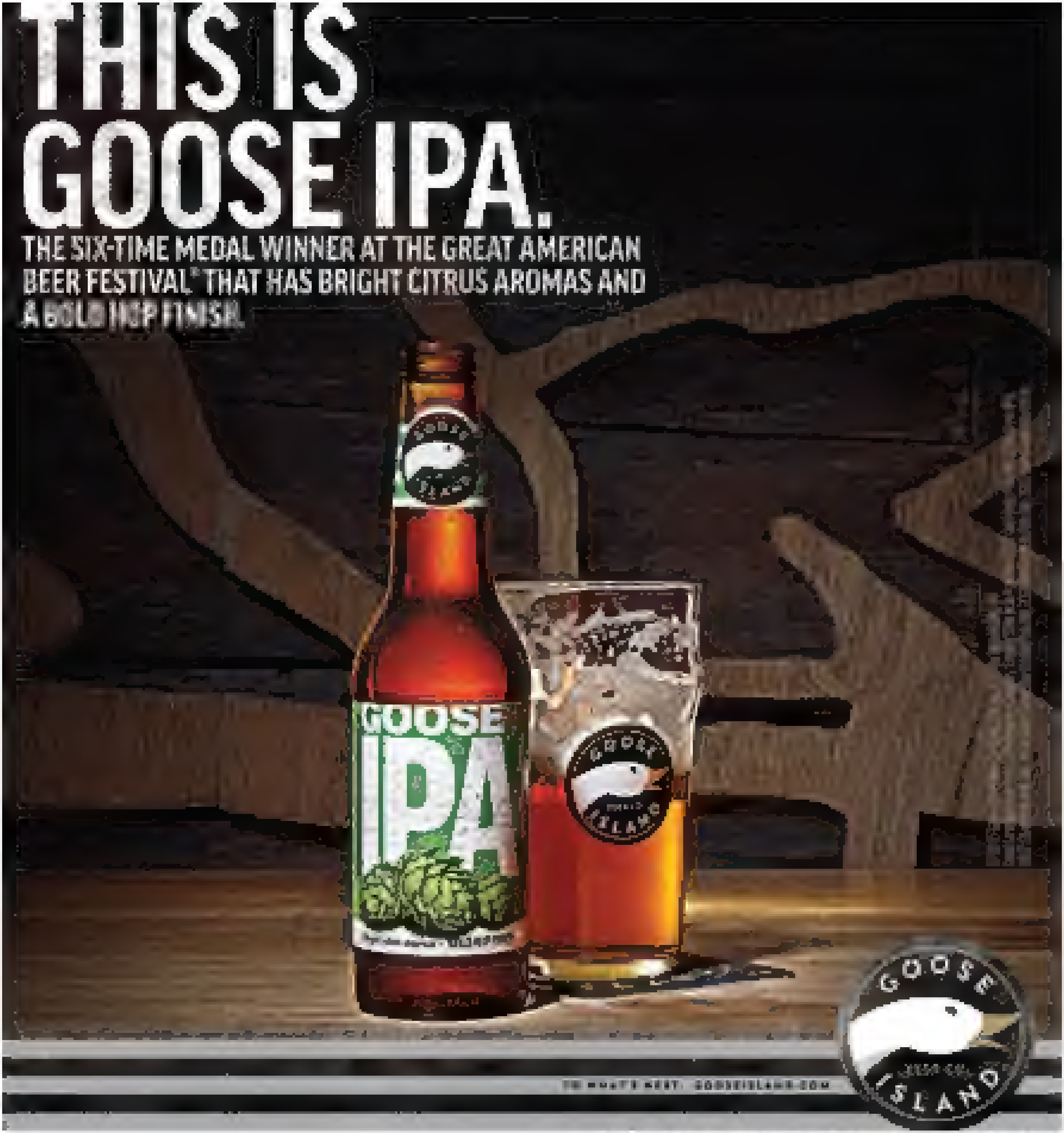


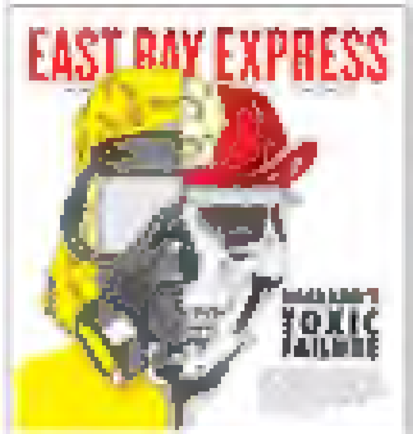
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crime syndicate in the history of the United States, and its brutal defiance of Jesus in [illegible], where Jesus said child-rape were unforgivable.

The Catholic Church's organized crime syndicate is worse than Whitey Bulger's. [illegible] This movie shows how the Catholic Church exhibited the same "code of silence" that the mafia has, without the [illegible], as they were protecting at least 249 convicted pedophile priests in Boston.

Whitey Bulger killed twenty adults. The creepy pedo-priests in the Catholic Church raped more than 1,000 children in Boston alone. At least 249 pedophile priests were hidden and protected by hundreds of other priests, and by Cardinal Law. (Only 90 were known at the time of the movie, but credits at the end show 249.)

The Catholic Church admitted that there were 4,392 accused pedophile priests in the United States in their own John Jay report of 2004 — and of course they lied. The number was well over 6,000.

And the Catholic Church hid and protected 100 percent of its known pedo-priests, worldwide. Cowardly, rampant, unforgivable evil, in brutal defiance of Jesus, has a name, and it is the Catholic Church.

Bud Allen, [illegible]

[illegible]

It's Uber-Capitalism

Thank you clarifying, in your November [illegible] article, that there is actually a sharing economy in the East Bay and that it has nothing to do with Uber (as far as I can tell) or others with similar business models. Uber (among others) is, of course, happy to ride along on the coattails of goodwill that we give to "sharing," but they are practicing classic capitalism. In fact, it's uber-capitalism: investors earn money off of the work of others, predatory pricing is practiced, attempts are made to influence regulatory practices, workers are expendable. Hopefully, a new term will be developed to describe capitalism made possible by mobile technology, but "sharing" doesn't have anything to do with it.

Heidi Nichols, Alameda

[illegible]

The Warriors Don't Deserve a Free Pass

In response to Mark Anderson's piece on the Golden State Warriors, I appreciate and agree with most of the points he makes about this great team/great franchise. But are we so in love with this talented and intelligent ownership that they are getting a bit of a free pass on the impending move to San Francisco? Do people feel that since there is so much money involved how could we expect them not to move? The ownership is already wealthy beyond reason. Would it be absurd to expect them to stay in a city that has offered the greatest fanbase in the country? To stay in a city that can use the benefits of having the Warriors play here? What a good message [Joe Lacob] could send. It's not always only about money — there are higher values, i.e., loyalty. Sometimes, we [illegible] with something that works and it empowers. If the Warriors go to San Francisco, personally I will not think of them in the same way.

Roger Morales, [illegible]

[illegible]

We Need Balance

A good article. I am in favor of bringing in a new and vibrant mix into dilapidated neighborhoods. I think that this matter of community revitalization is often seen as a zero-sum game. Instead, leaders should approach the matter with surgical precision rather than hatchets.

This requires adding and/or keeping important civic, business, and community anchors around the "new" outposts in Chinatown.

In the Fruitvale, for example, La Clínica de la Raza is a mainstay, even when new buildings are erected. Too often, city leaders look at the "bang for the buck" projects and overbuild condos, and business buildings, and forget about the need for staples, such as schools and churches in the neighborhood. What they tend to forget is that the current, young Gen-everyone will eventually have children and families, and if they follow the old trend in Oakland — leave to the suburbs of Lamorinda or Alameda once their kids have to go to school past the third grade — then what will Chinatown be? Temporary housing, unless it's done with precision.

Good middle and high schools should be kept or built, and churches should be left intact. This way, some of those Gen-Y-ers will tend to stay for the long haul once they grow up!

Tim Cheung, Oakland

[illegible]

No Respect

I am a single mother and have lived in Oakland since 1997 and have always used a coin-operated washing machine in the apartment building where I live. I can't afford to buy my own house in Oakland, so I'll never be going to Chase for a mortgage. But, occasionally, I do go to the Lakeshore Avenue branch to change a ten-dollar bill for a roll of quarters so I can do my laundry. Recently, I waited in line, only to have the teller turn me away. They no longer make change for people who aren't customers. Now that's what I call a community service bank — one that's really grateful to be chosen as the municipal lender for the City of Oakland.

Somehow I think the council didn't give the bank the news that they're supposed to serve and respect us.

P.S. I canceled my Chase Sapphire credit card.

Linda Norton, Oakland

Hello, Anyone Paying Attention?

[illegible] troubling pattern of major [illegible] signed without [illegible] understanding what they're signing: [illegible] contracts; this banking deal; the Surveillance Data Center, to name others.



[illegible] City administrator's office?

[illegible], Oakland

Change Times, Not Fees

I hardly think it's fair to charge more for parking when there is a clear and present danger of having your vehicle broken into by the time you return to it in certain [illegible] areas). Instead make the meter times variable with limits of [illegible] minutes — this might encourage people to move them faster.

[illegible], Oakland

But Who Gets Swept Away?

The proposed "market-based pricing" plan for parking in Oakland's most highly trafficked commercial districts [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible], Oakland

It's a Bad Idea

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It's Not Sharing

This self-defined "sharing economy" [illegible]

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Wait on This One

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[illegible], Oakland

Schaaf Makes Right Move on Protests

The mayor deserves credit for backing off of her ill-advised policy earlier this year that banned nighttime street marches in Oakland even though she refuses to admit her original mistake.

By Robert Gammon

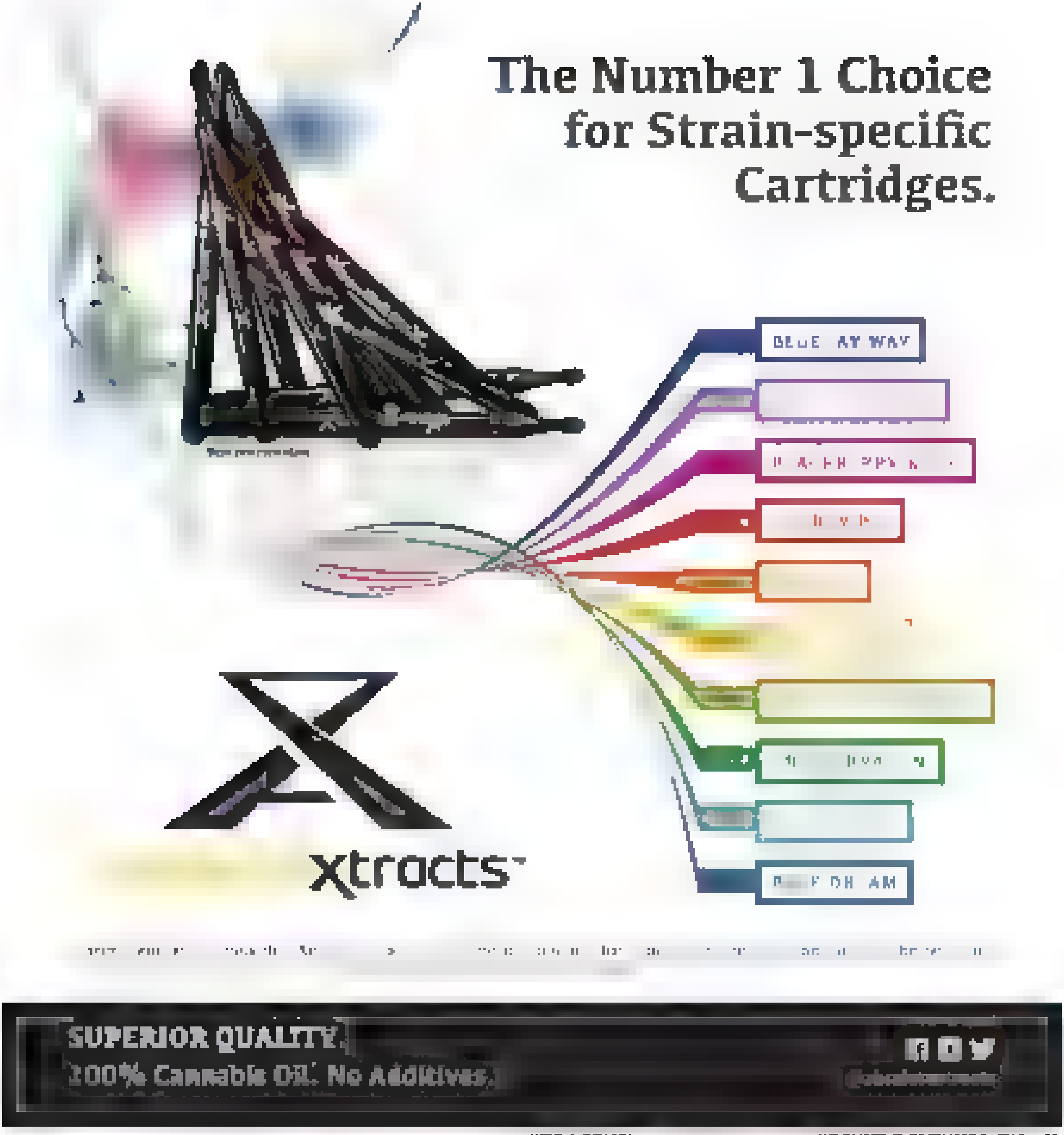


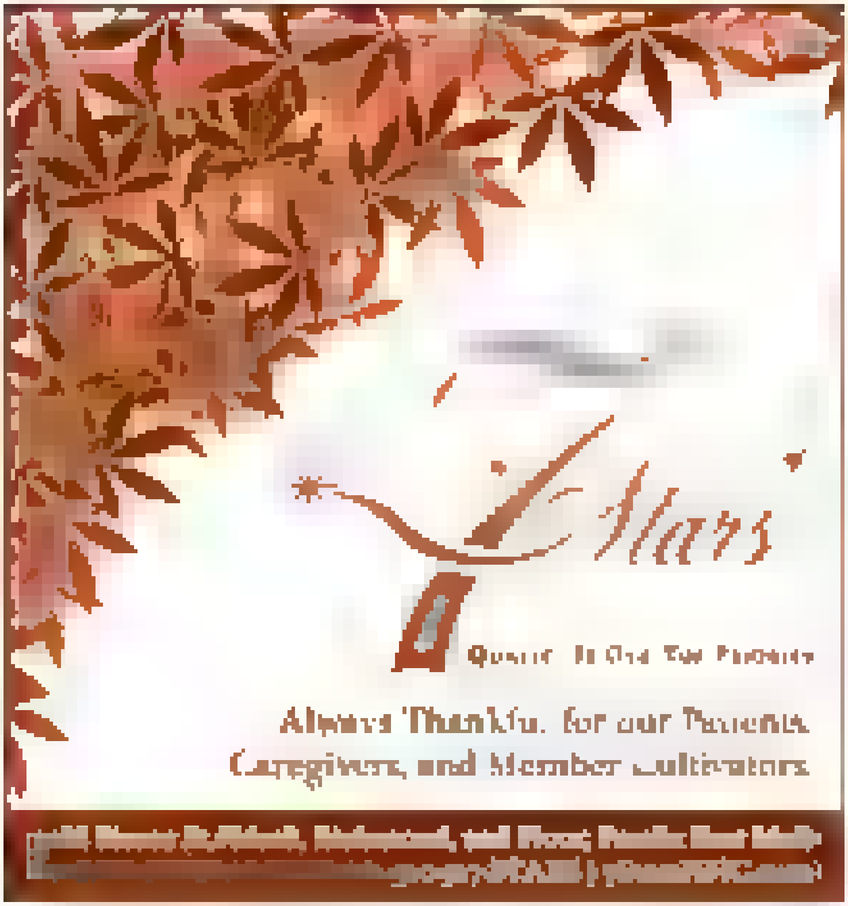


Oakland Eyes Affordable Housing Plan in Secret

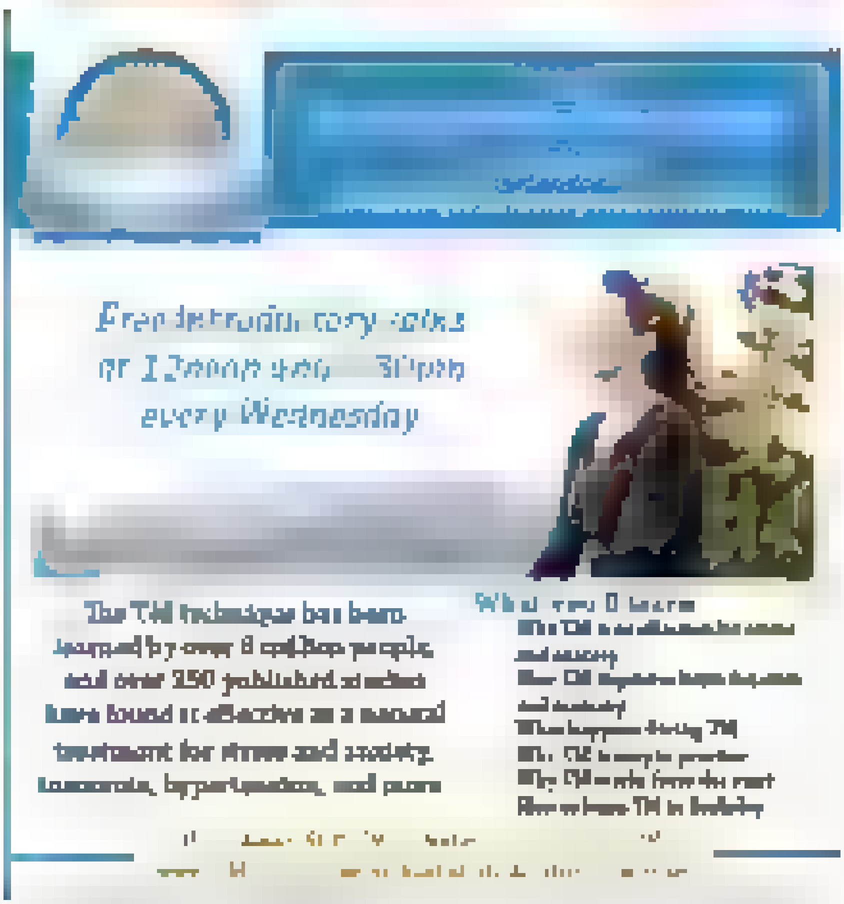
The city has yet to release details of a plan that would establish a fee on market-rate housing in order to finance more affordable housing.

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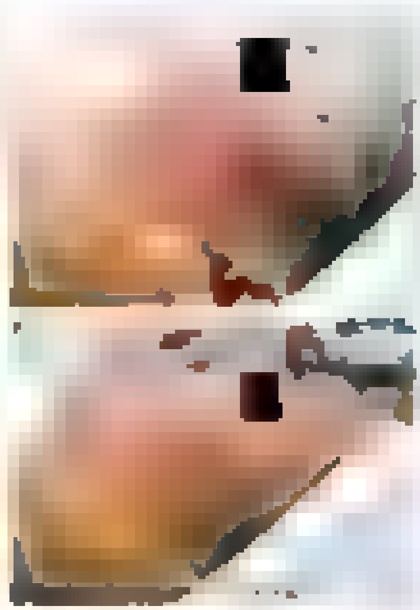

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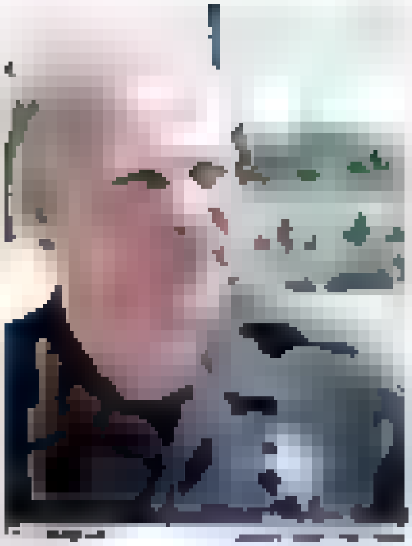


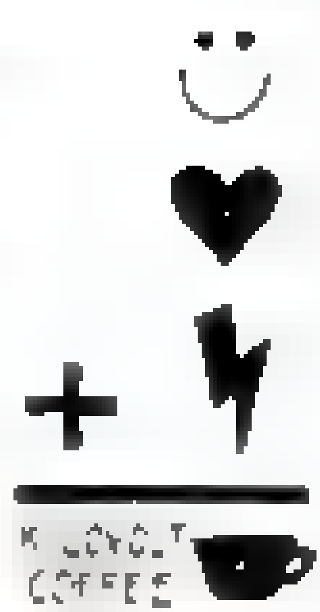


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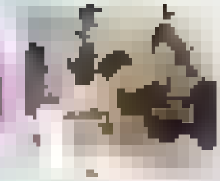


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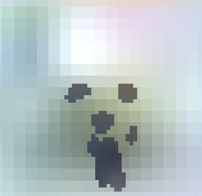
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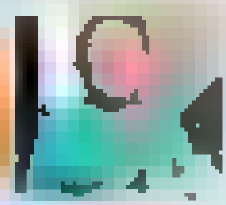


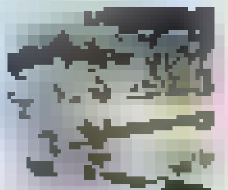










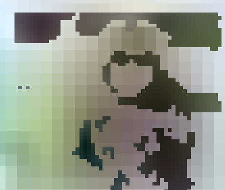




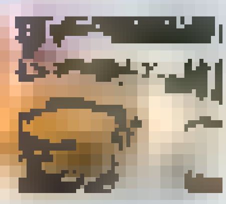


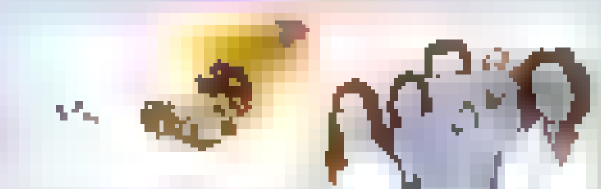




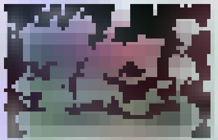






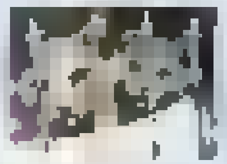




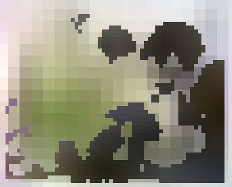
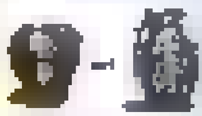
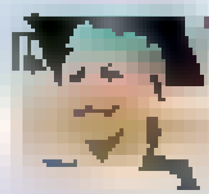





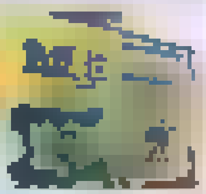




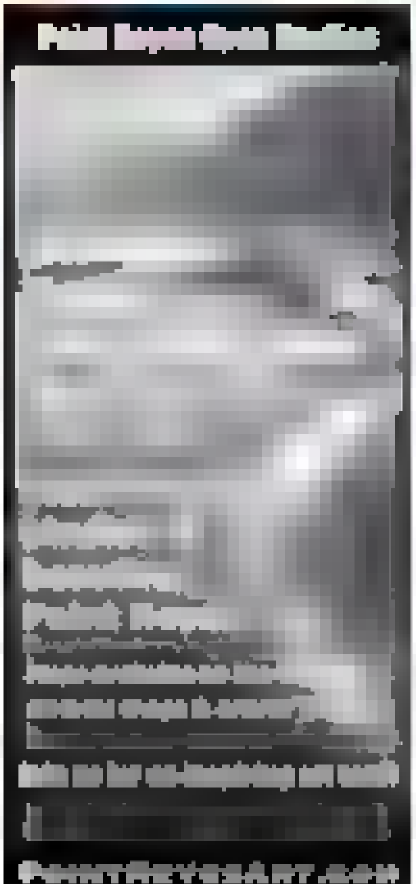















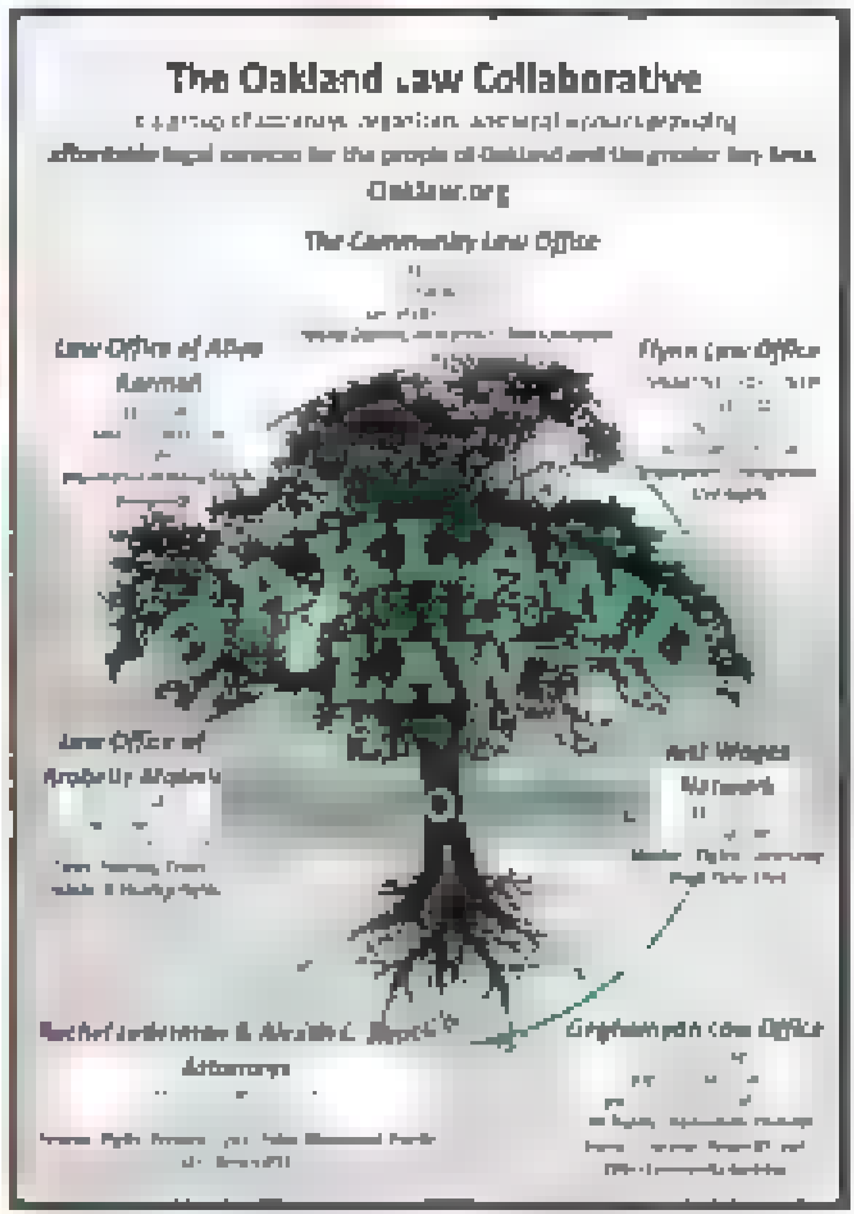
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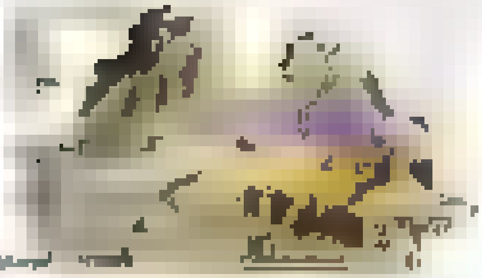

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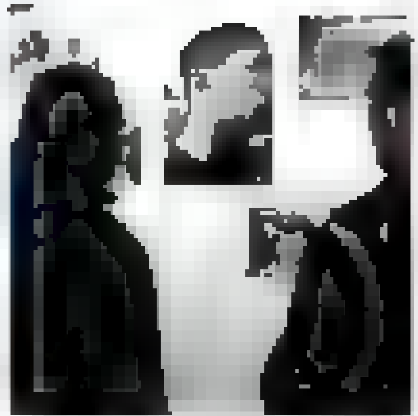


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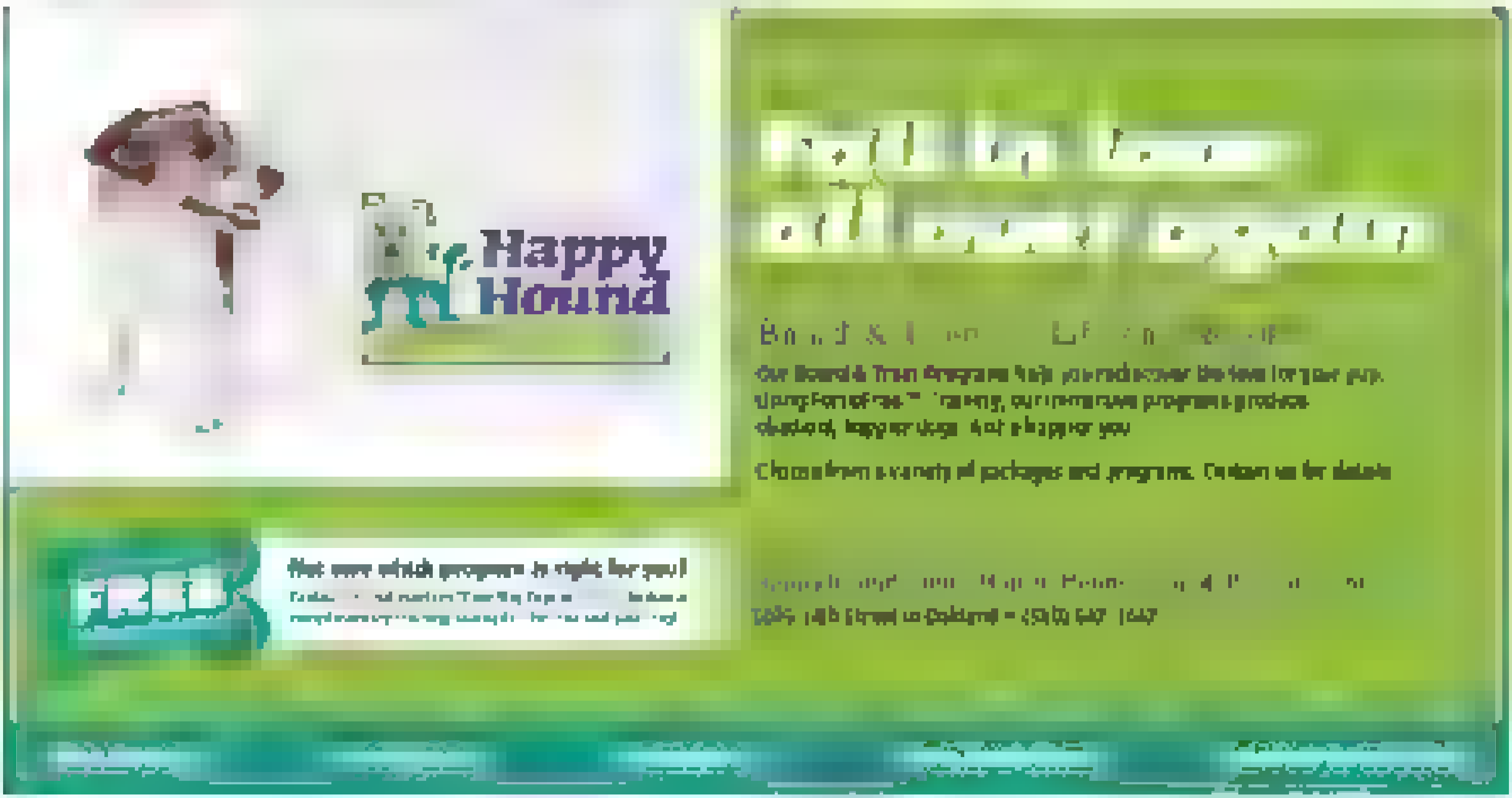
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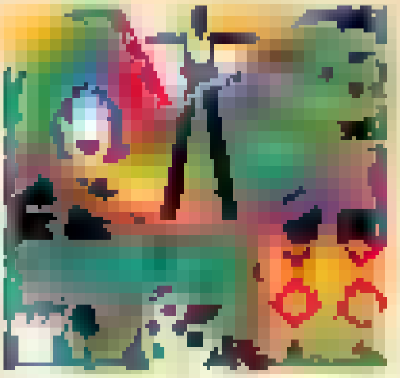

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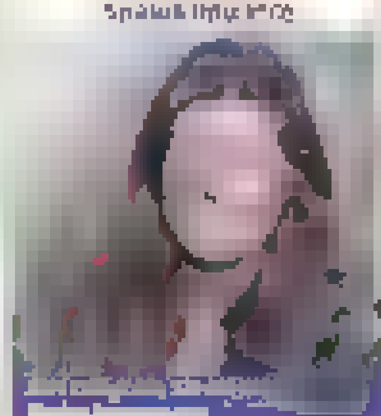






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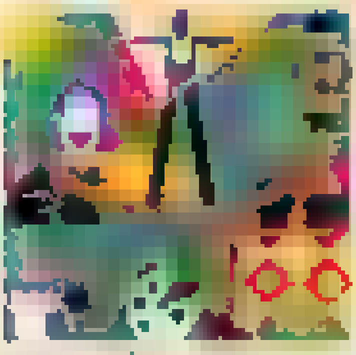








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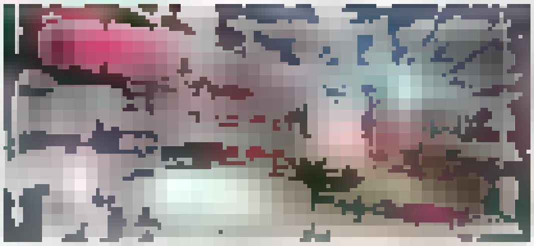


A Murder in Palestine

In her new mystery novel, Kate Jessica Raphael explores the social dynamics at the borders between Israel and Palestine



Mapping the Cybernetic Supernode













Market on Hold

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By Luke Tsai

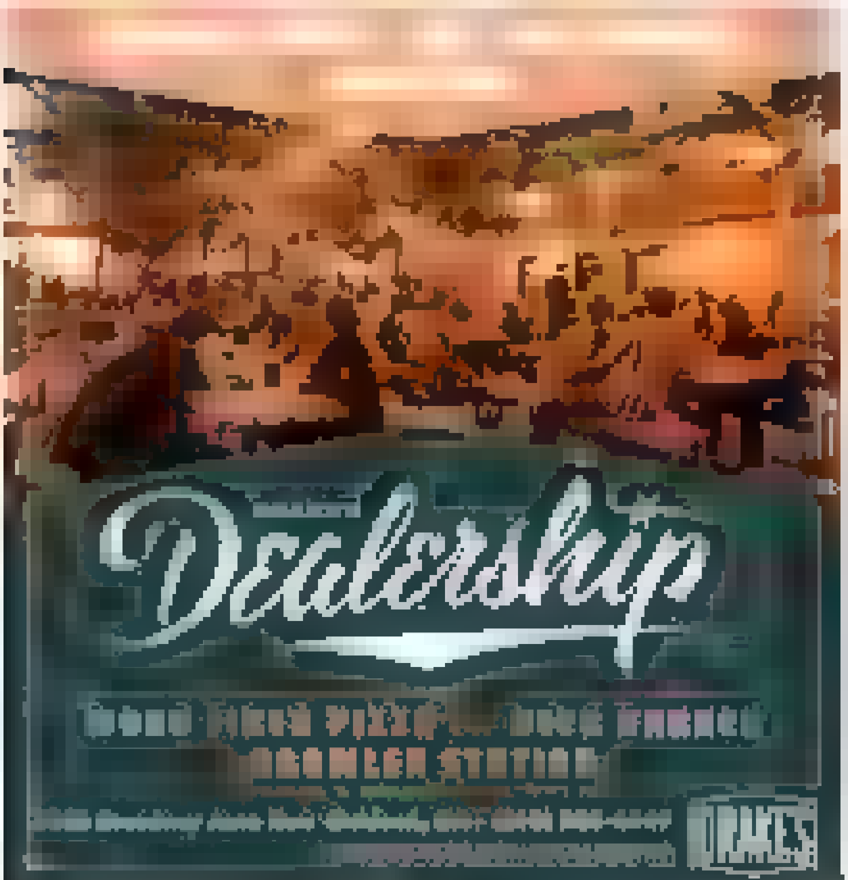

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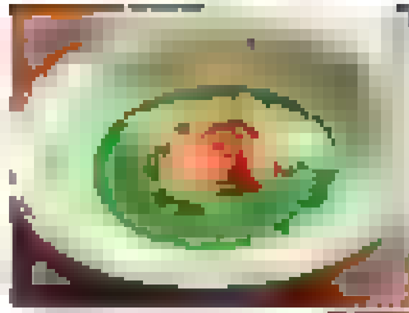

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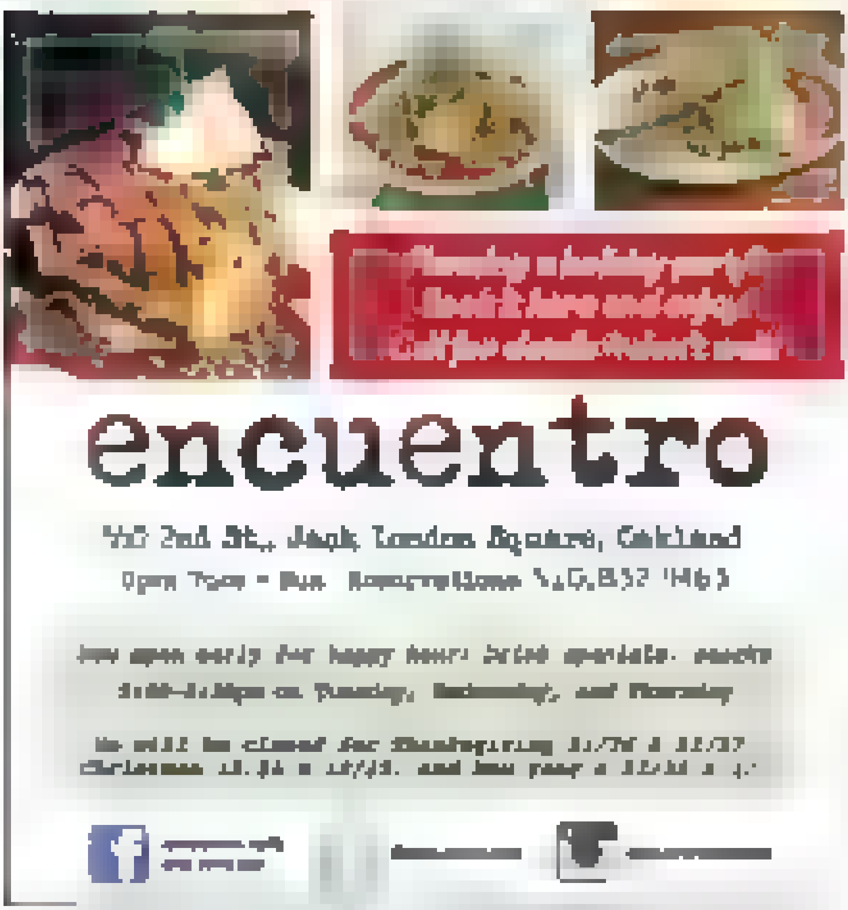
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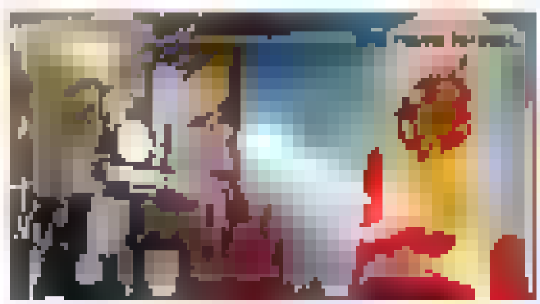
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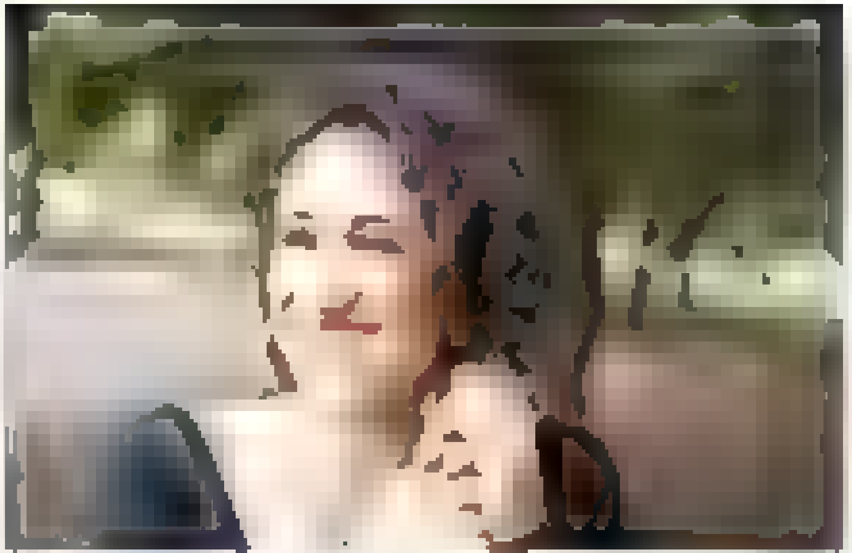

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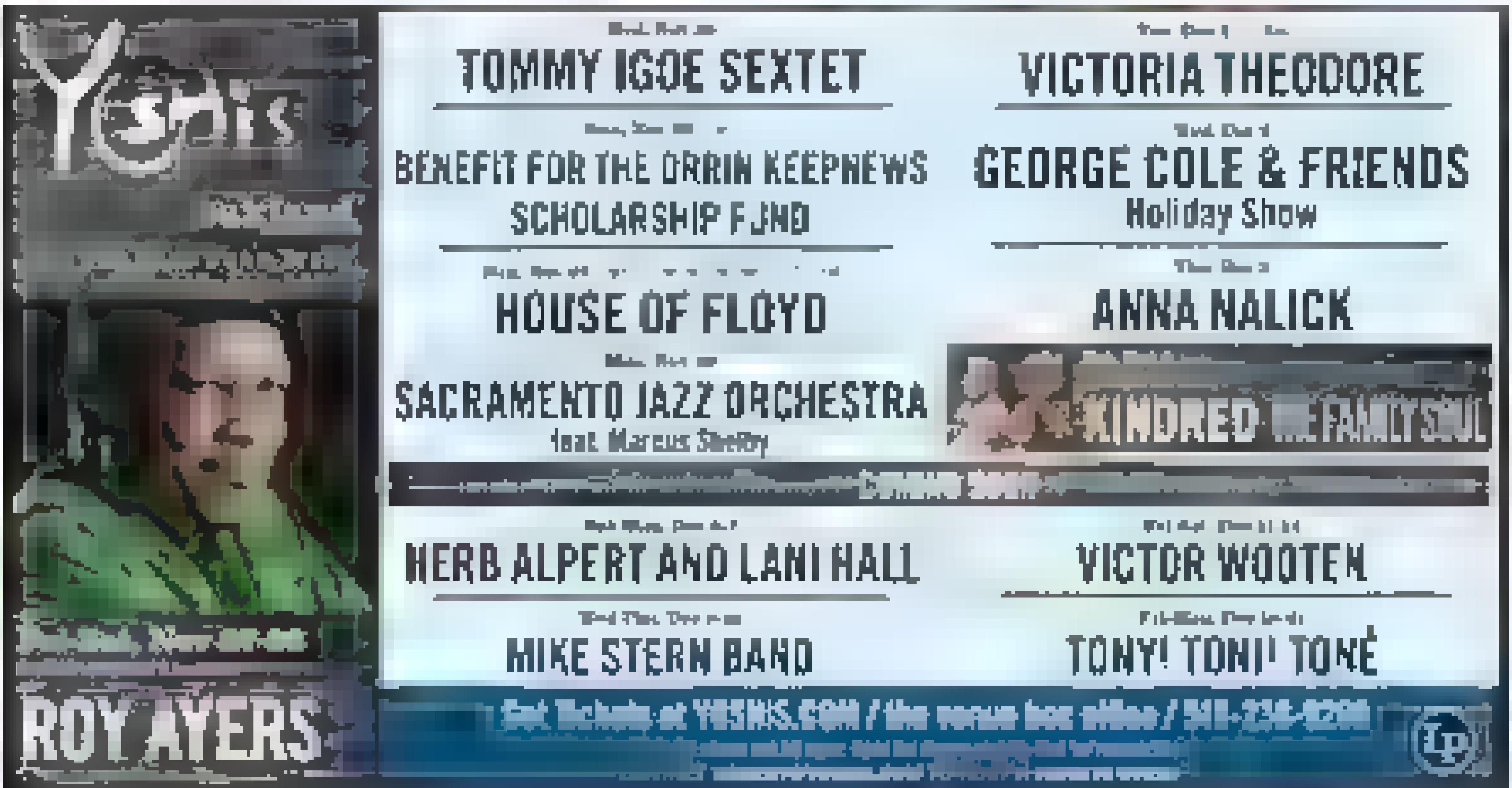
Finding a Voice Behind Bars

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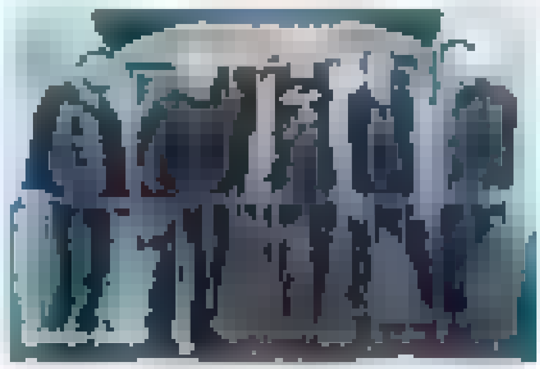
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Jazz, Lounge, & Cabaret

Rock & Pop

Soul, Funk, R&B, & Hip-Hop

MONDAY 30

Jazz, Lounge, & Cabaret

World, Latin, Reggae, & Reggaeton

Blues, Folk, & Country

Classical & Opera

Jazz, Lounge, & Cabaret

TUESDAY 1

Blues, Folk, & Country

Jazz, Lounge, & Cabaret

DJs

World, Latin, Reggae, & Reggaeton

Blues, Folk, & Country

Classical & Opera

Experimental & Avant Garde

Rock & Pop

Soul, Funk, R&B, & Hip-Hop

WEDNESDAY 2

Blues, Folk, & Country

Classical & Opera

Jazz, Lounge, & Cabaret

Rock & Pop

World, Latin, Reggae, & Reggaeton

Blues, Folk, & Country

Classical & Opera

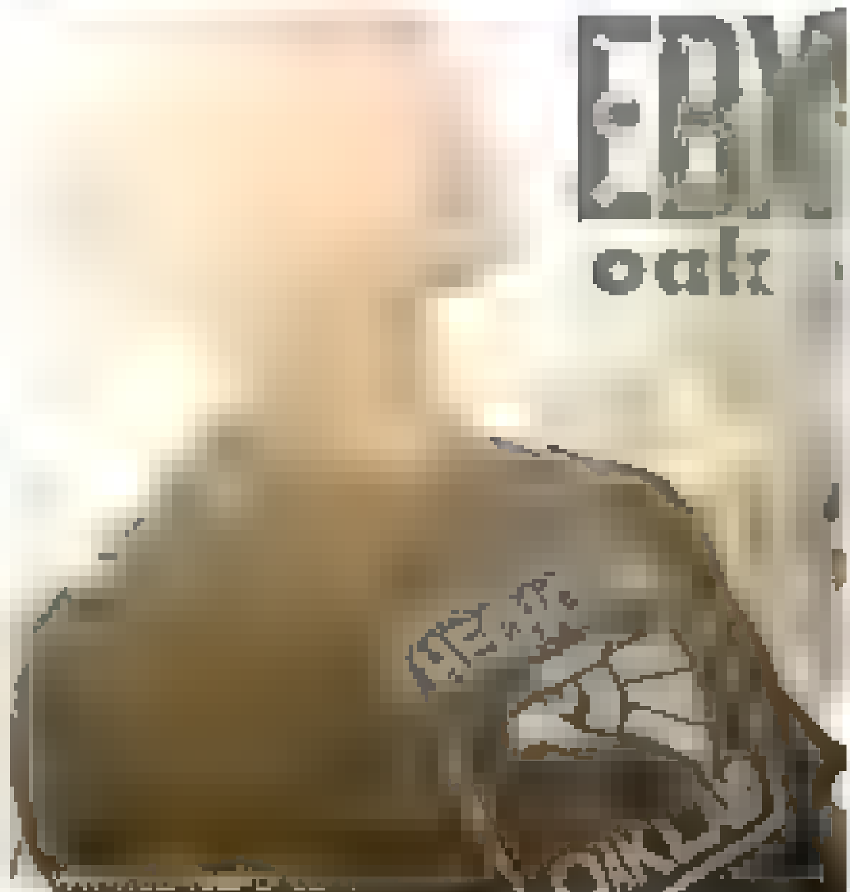
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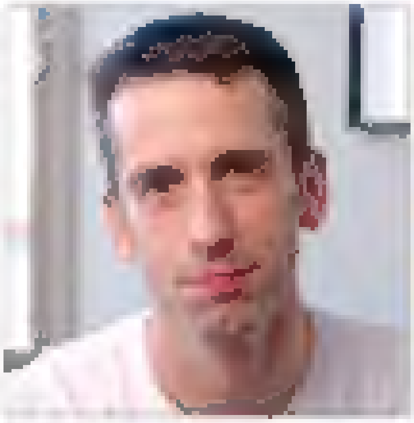




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